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## MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

Wednesday, January 28, 2015 10:30 a.m. Room 519 House Office Building, Lansing

Representative Lauwers, Chair, called the meeting to order.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Representatives Lauwers, Cole, Franz, Glardon, Johnson, Outman, Rendon, Courser, Brett Roberts, Sheppard, Vaupel, Brunner, Darany, Talabi, Driskell, LaVoy, Garrett.

Representative Cole made a motion to accept 10:30 a.m. Wednesdays, Room 519 House Office Building, as the designated time, day and location for regularly scheduled meetings of the Committee for the 2015-2016 legislative session.

## **FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

Yeas: Representatives Lauwers, Cole, Franz, Glardon, Outman, Rendon, Courser, Brett Roberts, Sheppard, Vaupel, Brunner, Darany, Talabi, Garrett. (14/17)

Nays: None. (0/17)

Pass: None. (0/17) (14/0/0)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Chair Lauwers announced the members appointed to the Agriculture Committee from a letter to Clerk Randall from Speaker Cotter.

Committee members provided background and introductions.

Rebecca Park, Matt Smego and Andrew Vermeesch, representing the Michigan Farm Bureau (MFB), provided a presentation to the Committee and reviewed the following topics: the history, goals, strategic investments, initiatives, environmental stewardship and energy infrastructure upgrades of MFB.

There being no additional business before the Committee, Chair Lauwers declared the meeting adjourned, the time being 11:20 a.m.

Representative Dan Lauwers, Chair

Catherine Petroskey, Committee Clerk (517) 373-8538